

Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19)

What you need to know

We're all in this together

As the coronavirus situation continues to evolve, we want to share some important information about what we're doing to help support the health and safety of your employees and your business during these uncertain times.

Zero-Dollar COVID-19 Testing, Diagnosis, & Treatment

For all Kaiser Permanente plans, cost sharing (deductibles, copayments and coinsurance) will be reduced to zero dollars (\$0.00) for medically necessary screening and testing for COVID-19 including:

- Telehealth and in-person visits
- Associated lab testing
- Radiology services in a plan hospital, emergency or urgent care setting, or medical office

This cost share reduction will apply to all Kaiser Permanente and other plan (participating) providers.

Positive COVID-19 Diagnosis & Treatment

Kaiser Permanente has waived member out-of-pocket costs for treatment related to a positive COVID-19 diagnosis. Members who are diagnosed with COVID-19 will not have to pay co-pays or other cost share related to their medical care and treatment of COVID-19, even if they have to stay in the hospital.

Pharmacy Delivery

Same-day/next-day delivery for prescriptions is free for COVID-19 patients, with a doctor's order.

Do these temporary changes apply to HSA and HDHP Plans?

Yes. The IRS announced (Notice 2020-15) that health plans that normally qualify as HDHPs will not lose that status because they cover the cost of testing for, or treatment of, COVID-19 before plan deductibles have been met. Scheduled phone and video visits for COVID-19 screening/testing are now covered at \$0 cost share (not subject to the deductible) for HSA-Qualified HDHPs.